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- 1. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:
- a first insulating film on a silicon substrate; and
- a second insulating film on said first insulating film, wherein said first insulating film is a silicon oxide film having a-film thickness-of not exceeding 1 nm-or-less and a suboxide content-of not exceeding 30%-or-less; and said second insulating film is a high dielectric constant insulating film.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said high dielectric constant insulating film is selected from the group consisting of a metal oxide film or and a metal silicate film.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 2, wherein said metal oxide film is an oxide film-of including at least one metal selected from-a the group consisting of hafnium, zirconium, lanthanum, and yttrium.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 2, wherein said metal silicate film is a silicate film-of including at least one metal selected from-a the group consisting of hafnium, zirconium, lanthanum, yttrium, and aluminum.
- 5. (Original) The semiconductor device according to claim 4, wherein said metal silicate film contains nitrogen.
 - 6. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:
 - a first insulating film on a silicon substrate; and
- a second insulating film on said first insulating film, wherein said first insulating film is a silicon oxymitride film having a-film thickness-of not exceeding 1 nm-or-less and a suboxide content-of not exceeding 30%-or-less; and said second insulating film is a high dielectric constant insulating film.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 6, wherein said high dielectric constant insulating film is selected from the group consisting of a metal oxide film-or and a metal silicate film.

- 8. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 7, wherein said metal oxide film is an oxide film-of including at least one metal selected from-a the group consisting of hafnium, zirconium, lanthanum, and yttrium.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim 7, wherein said metal silicate film is a silicate film-of <u>including</u> at least one metal selected from-a <u>the</u> group consisting of hafnium, zirconium, lanthanum, yttrium, and aluminum.
- 10. (Original) The semiconductor device according to claim 9, wherein said metal silicate film contains nitrogen.
 - 11. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:
 - a first insulating film on a silicon substrate; and
- a second insulating film on said first insulating films, wherein said first insulating film is a silicon nitride film having a-film thickness-of not exceeding 1 nm-or-less and an oxygen content-of-less than not exceeding 0.1 atom%; and said second insulating film is a high dielectric constant insulating film.

CLAIMS 12-23 (CANCELLED)